

## COMMANDER BRIAN W. ROCHE

## **Deputy Commander Sector Baltimore, MD**

Commander Roche is a native of Levittown, NY and enlisted in the Coast Guard December 1979 and entered Recruit Training Center Cape May in March 1980. His enlisted assignments included the Ceremonial Honor Guard,

Washington, DC, Sta Fort Macon, NC, and the CGC CHILULA. He rose through the ranks to Boatswain Mate First Class and was accepted to Coast Guard Officer Candidate School where he was the honor graduate in July 1991.

Commander Roche's assignments as a commissioned officer include Coast Guard Headquarters Short Range Aids to Navigation Division, Operations Officer Group Sandy Hook, NJ, Operations Officer Coast Guard Recruiting Command, Commanding Officer Coast Guard Station Atlantic City, NJ, the Senior Officer Evaluation Reviewer and O5/O4 Response/Law Enforcement Assignment Officer, Coast Guard Personnel Command, and Chief, Boat Forces and Cutter Operations Branch, Training Center Yorktown, VA.

Commander Roche's present assignment as Deputy Commander at Sector Baltimore, Maryland includes oversight of Coast Guard missions in the northern Chesapeake Bay and tributaries to include the National Capitol Region. His duties include Asst. Captain of the Port, Asst. Federal Maritime Security Coordinator, and Asst. Search and Rescue Mission Coordinator.

Commander Roche's personal decorations and qualifications include 2 Meritorious Service Medals, 3 Coast Guard Commendations Medals, 5 Coast Guard Achievement Medals, the 9/11 Medal, the Coxswain pin, the advanced Boat Forces Operations Badge and the Ceremonial Honor Guard Badge.

Commander Roche earned his Master's of Science in Quality Systems Management from the National Graduate School in 2005. He is married to the former Helen Freeman from Swansea, South Wales, United Kingdom. They have two children, Cheryl and Ian.